

BUSINESS SPECIALS.
Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line.
Front Attic to let, 86 Main St.
Read the Blue Store ad. in this paper.
Saturday night, low prices close.
Swan.
Lot of new horses will be in, Monday, Andrews & Sons.
Finest line of spectacles, finest fitting at Hills', graduate optician.
The person having Harold Anderson's sled will do well to return it at once and save trouble.
Mrs. E. G. Skillings is closing out her hats, fancy ribbons and fancy feathers below cost.
The greatest values in Men's, Youths' and Boys' Suits ever sold in Maine, at Noyes & Andrews, Blue Store.
Have your watch repaired by Hills. Good work costs no more.
Lost, between South Paris and Frost's Corner, lady's brown dress, size 38. Leave at this office.
1000 lbs. octavo, note, pocket and letter tablets, fine quality, to retail for 5 cts. just opened at Hills' Variety Store.
A few Overcoats, Reefers, Ulsters and Fur Coats at the Blue Store, to be closed out at a very low price. Call and see them.
Two second hand coal stoves, very low prices, at Wm. C. Leavitt's, also one second hand dining room companion in first-class condition.
Hills is the only graduate optician that has ever attended an optical school, and has diploma for same—not one of those diplomas bought by mail to hang in the post-office, etc.
Noyes & Andrews, at the Blue Store, have 3 nice Coon Skin Fur Coats they will sell very cheap. Also one nice Astrakhan Ulster at a bargain. If you need any such garments, it will pay you to look at them.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.
Old papers to put under carpets, on shelves, and for wrappers, for sale at this office.
Frank H. Hurd, the blacksmith, recently killed a deer in Albany that weighed 240 pounds.
J. T. Rowe has leased the upper story of Freedland Howell's office building and will open a barber shop there in the near future.
Miss Alice Chick had a successful operation on the left eye, last October, and on Dec. 22d, her right eye was operated on and she is doing well.
F. D. Briggs, the grocer, has been temporarily embarrassed, financially. We hear that the difficulty has been passed and the business will continue without further trouble.
Henry B. Foster, Llewellyn Cushman, William Libby, Eugene E. Flood and Asa D. Flood went rabbit hunting in the woods on Pike's Hill, the other day. They took with them the two well known efficient dogs, Bouncer Libby and Blucher Dunham. The hunt was a great time and lots of ammunition was used. Foster and Cushman each got four rabbits and Libby three.
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SOUTH PARIS.
John J. Emery spent Saturday in Portland.
F. S. Washburn has moved his family to Buckfield.
Eva Walker is at home from Gorham Normal School.
Business meeting of the Epworth League, Tuesday evening.
Dennis Tirrell is at home from Colby University for the winter vacation.
Nathan C. McKen has been laid up for more than a month with a combination of lame back and bronchial troubles.
C. A. Record and wife and her brother, Ernest Crockett, were at Dea. George B. Crockett's during the Christmas recess.
Fred C. Briggs is at home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Briggs. He doesn't get home very often since he has been on the road in other parts of New England.
F. C. Merrill has been making some improvements in his O. K. spring tooth harrow. It is now a peculiar implement in that it has double the clearing space of any other spring tooth harrow, and the depth reached by the teeth may be regulated in any manner wished.
J. Frank Howland is one of the beneficiaries by the will of the late Hon. Henry L. Pierce of Boston. Mr. Pierce, who was manager of the Walter Baker Co., manufacturers of cocoa and chocolate, generously remembered the officers and employees of the company, bequeathing them sums amounting to \$700,000. Mr. Howland, the company's president and Mr. Pierce's confidential clerk and adviser, receives \$100,000. He and his family are well known in Paris, their summer home being Mountain View Farm, a beautiful estate a few miles east of South Paris.

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George Tubbs and Fred Noble expect to work in Errol, N. H., this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Horne of Auburn were at her father's, Capt. A. F. Noyes', last week.

Mrs. Eliza A. Starbird who lives on Beal street, who has been very sick, is slowly gaining.

Mrs. Work, who lived on the road to Oxford, has moved into H. J. Bangs' tenement over Gilbert's meat store.

The village schools opened for the winter term, Monday morning. There are fifty-six in the high school.

W. S. Merrill and family are to move from their farm in North West Norway to the village. They will live in Mrs. S. P. Kelley's house on Paris Street.

William C. Leavitt says he had the nicest Christmas present of anybody in Norway. It was a daughter and in honor of the day has been named Christine.

Oliver Houghton of Weymouth, Mass., was in town, Tuesday. He came with the remains of Mabel Shackley, a daughter of Oliver Shackley, who died in a hospital of pneumonia, Dec. 23.

There will be a box supper at I. F. Titcomb's, Friday evening, Jan. 8th, for the benefit of the C. E. Society. Each lady is to bring a box containing supper for two and an envelope containing her name.

M. W. Sampson has arranged a commodious and spacious room designed for reading and smoking. We feel like praising Nell "for his goodness and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

R. L. Millett of West Minot, special reporter on the Lewiston Sun was in town, Monday, in the interest of that paper. He made us a pleasant call. He is only 18 years of age, he has a good ear and eye for news.

There was a very pleasant gathering of the neighbors of Crockett Ridge, Christmas evening, at Isaac Titcomb's, the occasion being a neighborhood Christmas tree. It was a large tree and bountifully filled, Santa seeming to generously remember both old and young.

There was a literary entertainment consisting of declamations and recitations, and music by Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Barnes. After this the presents were distributed and the young people played games.

Union religious services will begin the week of prayer on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5th, at 7:30 o'clock at the Baptist church, continuing at the same place, Wednesday evening; Thursday, Friday and Sunday evenings following at the Methodist church; January 12th and 13th at the Congregational church. Further announcements will be made later on.

These services are for the benefit of no single church but for the religious and moral uplift of the whole community and the extension of the kingdom Christ came to set up. The earnest, prayerful effort of Christian people is desired. Let all good citizens and their help influence in every way that shall seem best to them.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Farrar invited a party of relatives and friends to their home on High street, Friday evening, to attend a Christmas tree party given in honor of Mrs. Ruth B. Young. Twenty-five people were present. There was a short literary and musical program, after which Santa Claus appeared and gave the presents.

The toboggan slide is well patronized. There is something alluring about the steep slide, the stairs to climb in reaching the toboggan itself and the electric light that sheds a luster over it all. There is only a nominal charge for the use of toboggans. A skating ground is kept clear and furnishes a fine field for sport, if one doesn't care for the excitement of the swiftly gliding toboggan.

Monday evening, Auradia Commandery, U. O. G. C., elected these officers:

Noble Commander, Byron Evans.
Vice Commander, Mrs. H. S. Boster.
Herald, John Everett.
Fetate, Mrs. Louise Dargis.
Keeper of Records, Addison Tirrell.
Financial Keeper of Records, Mrs. F. E. Kimball.
Treasurer, W. R. Henry.
Inside Guard, C. C. Ordway.
Outside Guard, C. L. Buck.

District Deputy, C. L. Buck will install them on week from next Monday night.

William E. Warren and Dr. P. Cain of Norway were driving near the Crockett crossing, Wednesday forenoon. Dr. Cain got out to the sleigh, and a moment later the horse became frightened at the cars. The horse ran away, throwing out Mr. Warren and smashing the sleigh against a post. He kept on his headlong career till he reached the cattle pen fence, near the depot. He jumped that and got hung up, so was captured. Principal damage to the sleigh. Mr. Warren ran like a fox after the horse and was very much out of breath when the excitement was over.

PORTER NEIGHBORHOOD.—Mrs. Louisa Felton visited friends in West Paris, last week.

Jacob McKen came home from West Milan to spend Xmas and will not go back.

Annie L. Marshall who is teaching school in the Mountain district spent Xmas at home.

Eva Marshall has returned to her school at Hebron. She will board at the Trustee House, this term.

Geo. Felton moved his family to West Milan, Tuesday. He will work in the woods for the Ammonoosuc Lumber Co.

Etta Noyes is quite sick at this writing.

Mrs. Rufus Prince of Turner is visiting her daughters, S. B. & Z. S. Prince.

J. A. Brown of Bridgton was in town, Tuesday, and traded horses with A. F. Andrews.

Mrs. B. G. Hebbard and little son of Boston are visiting her sister, Mrs. E. E. Andrews.

A roof has been put over the outside stairs that lead to the new G. A. R. Hall, and a wood room built beneath the stairs.

We saw Capt. A. F. Noyes sliding down Pike's Hill with one of the boys. He seemed to enjoy the fun as well as the boys.

The Norway Commandery, U. O. G. C., now hold their meetings in the Woman's Christian Temperance Rooms in the Grange Block.

The chimney of Wm. H. Warren's boarding house burned out Sunday, and caused considerable excitement in the immediate vicinity. No damage done.

In our next issue we shall publish an article by Rev. B. S. Rideout, "A Step Forward," that will interest every person who is or ever has been a resident of Norway.

Mrs. Frank C. Small of Minneapolis, Minn., is making a short visit here before going to Portland, where Mr. Small is at work. He is employed by Barnett & Record Co. of Minneapolis, Minn. They are to build a large elevator for the Grand Trunk R. Co.

Saturday last, Cyrus Woodsum was driving on Paris street when his sleigh struck the rail track, throwing him on the dasher, striking his head on the track leaving a severe scalp wound. He was picked up by Mark Tapley and carried home, while the mare flew down M. in street, then up Winter street and back to the depot. Mr. Woodsum's big dog Sancho and secured. Mr. W. is still quite feeble, but gets about house.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 23, the neighbors and friends to the number of forty assembled at the home of Sadie E. Kimball to celebrate her seventeenth birthday. The evening was spent in playing games and dancing by old and young, from three years to seventy.

At eleven o'clock an old fashioned supper was served. Some very nice presents were given her by the L. V. Club and schoolmates and friends. All went home well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

Aunt Betsey French—dear old soul—who doesn't know Aunt Betsey has failed to make the acquaintance of a good woman—she visited our office Monday and left a generous supply of apples—such as can be grown in the French neighborhood at No. 10 Norway.

There were Golden Pippins, Golden Balls, Greenings, Northern Spy and the like. They were good apples and she says she has plenty of them, and that they were almost too plenty to give away, this year—however such apples as have come to find a market at a fair price and sell quickly too.

Franklin Porter has been confined to the house for a number of weeks with a severe cold, but is reported to be gaining now. We hope he will not be obliged to "den up" for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Libby and daughter Minnie of Norway, Mrs. J. L. Bridgman and Virgie Rawson of Auburn, Perley Rawson, now working at West Milan and Geo. T. Bicknell of Mechanic Falls have been visitors at B. M. Greeley's within the past week.

BETHEL.
Mrs. A. R. Haines is visiting her parents in Auburn.

Maud Pratt of West Paris returned to her home, last Friday.

D. D. Matherson has sold out his meat business to John Yates.

A. A. Parker is confined to the house with a bad cold and pleurisy.

D. C. Phillbrook was in Gorham, N. H., last Saturday, on business.

Mrs. H. C. Phillbrook and little boy start for Florida, next Saturday.

Mrs. L. E. Parker is taking care of Ellis Annis' wife, who is very sick.

Charles Cross has sold his pair of large horses to parties in Rumford Falls.

Ed. Herrick of Locke's Mills was in this village, last Sunday, visiting friends.

Charles Douglas and wife, O. Berlin Falls, N. H., spent Christmas with his parents.

Many people in this village are putting in their ice, which is from 12 to 16 inches thick.

J. O. Sanborn came home from Umbagog Lake, last week, with about 200 lbs. of nice pickerel.

The warm day we had, last Wednesday, about spoiled the fine sleighing we have had for the past three weeks.

Alfred S. Jack and wife of Topsham have been visiting his cousin, A. A. Parker, the past week.

Mrs. Mary Parker, who has been visiting her son, A. A. Parker, has gone to Topsham to spend the winter with her sister.

Prof. W. R. Chapman met with the Bethel Auxiliary of the Maine Musical Festival, Friday evening. Much interest is manifested in this project here.

The different churches had Christmas trees, Thursday evening. At the Congregationalist and Universalist free suppers were given and all the children and older ones came in. At the Universalist church about one hundred and fifty people were present. The trees were in the church which was kept closed. After supper the folding doors which separate the ladies' parlor of the chapel from the audience room of the church were thrown open and the crowd passed into the church. The room was dimly lighted. The trees were standing on the platform in front but seemed entirely out of light at had been turned on, a beautiful display of all kinds of gifts. As they opened there appeared in their

Tuesday was the warmest day since Dec. 9.

A. W. Walker has his crew cutting ice on the lake.

Prudent Bedard and family have been visiting in Lewiston.

A. K. Winslow of Buckfield and James L. Whittemore of the Whittemore district in Paris were in town, on business, Wednesday.

Rev. Marcus H. Carroll and Herman L. Horne went to Portland, Wednesday evening, to hear Mme. Nordica at a concert in that city.

James Smith's chimney burned out Sunday, and the wood about the chimney was set on fire. Hase Company No. 1 responded at once to the call and soon put out what fire remained that the citizens had not extinguished by throwing water from pails.

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C. B. Cummings & Sons have contracted with Will Austin for an oil tank for kerosene oil. It is to be near the depot and will be 27 feet long, 7 feet in diameter and hold 8,000 gallons of oil. It is now being made in Lowell, Mass. When completed they will sell the oil at both wholesale and retail.

Gorham McAllister of North Lovell was in town, Tuesday. Mr. McAllister is 68 years of age, but so well preserved that a stranger would guess his age as less than fifty. He would to-day be a vigorous, active man, were it not for an asthmatic trouble which prevents severe exertion. We talked railroad with him and found that he wants to have one built, and nearer it will run to his farm, the better he will be suited. He informs us that in Lovell and Stoneham there are no kickers against the enterprise.

Prof. George W. Horne of Lewiston was in town, Monday, and attended the rehearsal of the Maine Music Festival branch, in the evening. He said that this branch is particularly fort nate in having so accomplished a musician as Mr. Carroll for director, and that the work done here is fully equal to that of the Lewiston and Auburn branch. It was announced that no new voices would be admitted to this branch after next Monday.

Norway Grange, at its meeting, Saturday afternoon, chose these officers for the year 1897:

Master, J. A. Roberts.
Lecturer, Mrs. P. Brown.
Steward, Frank E. Wood.
Assistant Steward, W. O. Perry.
Chaplain, Jonathan Whitehouse.
Treasurer, C. W. Ryerson.
Secretary, H. C. Oxnard.
Gate Keeper, Calvin Richardson.
Ceres, Sadie Millett.
Flora, Ida French.
Lemon, Lee Bradbury.
Lady Assistant Steward, Cora Brown.
Floridian, David Guenay.
Counsellor, E. M. Noble.
Executive Committee, C. W. Ryerson, J. A. Bradbury, Fred Rowe.

Abel and Gene Andrews went to Stow, last week, and returned with a deer which they captured in that vicinity.

Mrs. Edwina Kimball was the recipient of a Christmas box filled with useful and pretty gifts from her sister, Mrs. Lucy E. Holt of East Candia, N. H.

Mrs. D. A. Cummings received from her sisters, Mrs. Ivory Cole and Linda Lawrence of Lynn, Mass., a substantial

The Advertiser wants to know who kept watch-meeting.

William H. Dunn's health is gaining. He has been severely ill.

George B. Staples of Success township, N. H., was in Norway, Tuesday.

Dedication of the new G. A. R. Hall, this Friday afternoon and evening.

Charles L. Randall of Lynn, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary O. Randall.

Mrs. Henry Swift is spending the winter with friends at Amesbury, Mass.

Jonas W. Atheron of Waterford visited his sister, Mrs. George Crooker, Monday.

This is the season when merchants take account of stock. Some of them sit up late, and do the work in the night; others try to accomplish it between customers' calls.

We have been asked to correct a misprint which appeared in our report of the I. O. O. F. fair. The bottle contained 820 beans instead of 900 as was stated. The mistake of one figure made a big difference in the number.

Dr. George P. Emmons of the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston, was in Norway, a few days since, to see Mrs. Winthrop Stevens, who has recently undergone surgical treatment at that hospital. Dr. Emmons is as jolly a soul as Mrs. Stevens, herself, and she was delighted to see him.

Saunders' Colored Players were at the Opera House, Tuesday evening. They are genuine darlings, having the weird, melodious, powerful voices, and the odd movements peculiar to their race. The first part of their entertainment was interesting, it being an attempt to depict life as it is among the colored people of the South. The rest was a tiresome variety show.

Dr. G. W. Hazelton has opened an office for the practice of medicine in the Grange Block in the rooms recently occupied by E. F. Smith. The many friends of the doctor are glad to have him return to the village and resume active practice after an absence of nearly five years, which he has devoted to farm life and a country practice of medicine. We wish him success.

Many of the Universalist people have a "merry-go-round" to be filled with cash to go toward putting electric lights in their church. Pearl Cook proved the smartest of any of the children, for she got hers filled much sooner than any other. They were given out on the Sabbath. Wednesday noon, bright-eyed little Pearl had finished her work and delivered the filled merry-go-round to the treasurer.

ALBANY.
Mrs. C. S. Akers, Mrs. H. L. Bartlett, Mrs. Frank T. Bartlett, Lena Bennett, Mrs. E. F. Bicknell, Mrs. Geo. Crocker, Mrs. James Danforth, Mrs. M. L. Kimball, Mrs. H. L. Libby, Mrs. Geo. Merrill, Mrs. W. H. Robinson, Mrs. C. W. Ryerson, Mrs. C. F. Whitman, Mrs. Alice Woodsum.

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SENECA CLUB, SOUTH PARIS.
Gertie Johnson, Marion W. Jones, Mrs. Fred L. Millett, Susie L. Rounds, Ollie M. Stuart, Midge S. Wilson, Mrs. J. A. Adelbert, Mrs. J. A. Whitman.

After the entertainment the ladies of the clubs gave Miss Reynolds a prompt reception. A large number improved the opportunity to congratulate the charming speaker on the success of the entertainment.

WEST SUMMER.
I. A. Swift bought a cow, last Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Twitchell has been very sick. Eva L. Doble has returned to her work at Norway.

Harland Bisbee is visiting at C. L. Bates', this week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Chandler went to West Paris, Dec. 27th.

Et T. Hart and L. P. Merrill have been to Bethel on business.

Wallace Ryerson is at his farm, this week, and they are getting up the wood.

Mrs. G. A. Chandler and daughter went to Norway, the 20th, returning the 21st.

We are glad to see Charles Crockett on our street again after his four weeks' sickness.

G. W. Heath and wife and H. T. Heath and family passed Christmas day at T. H. Hunt's in Buckfield.

Frank W. Howe from Boston is spending a couple of weeks through the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Polly Howe.

F. R. Barrett, wife and two children from Andover have been in our place, their former home, calling on neighbors and friends.

I. F. Swift finished his teaming and sold his oxen to Wm. Benson recently. Last Monday he bought another pair of Mr. Downes of Sumner.

Dr. Andrews' wife and child and Mrs. A.'s sister Bessie spent last week at Portland with their sister, Mrs. News. Owing to the sickness of a patient, the doctor was unable to join them at Christmas as was intended.

Aunt Mary Heath is among the smart old ladies of our place. Dec. 9th, her 81st birthday, she spun three skeins of yarn, spinning two of them in two hours. She reads common print without glasses and is able to attend church regularly.

There was a union Christmas entertainment and trees in the Universalist church, Christmas eve. The program consisted of reading the Scripture, select reading, recitations and good music. Young ladies, young men and the small girls and boys all took part in the exercises, which were finely rendered; after which the trees were unbundled and all pretty and useful presents carried to all parts of the church. Everything passed off pleasantly.

EAST BUCKFIELD.
How pleased everybody would be to have a little more snow.

Solon C. Tuttle is complaining of a very sore side, caused by the kick of a horse.

No one's hens around here lay well except Eliza A. Record's. Her hens always lay fine.

Justus B. Mason went up to his parents' home in Bethel, last Saturday, returning home, Sunday. He reports it fine sleighing after he left Buckfield.

Another old resident of town has been called to pass over the river of death, Uncle Jonathan Forbes. Mr. Forbes was past eighty years old and the last one of a large family.

Read the story "A Maid of the Mine" by J. M. Foster, copyright by the author, in next week's ADVERTISER.

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On Christmas day, Leon Kimball saved two hundred cakes of tea for Horace Fiske. Does that entitle him to "take the cake"? Let us hear from others.

Santa Claus stopped at the Corner and finding the church door ajar and a warm fire inside, he entered and judging from the heavily laden Christmas tree he cannot have known of hard times. The church was prettily decorated and though the night was bitter, there was a full attendance. The entertainment was a success and much enjoyed by all. Fern Johnson and Nina Bean sang together a Christmas carol very sweetly. Marion Andrews, a little tot of four years, bravely stepped upon the platform and recited her piece without making a mistake. Her price for her pains was a new doll.

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NORWAY SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

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WILDEY LODGE, No. 21, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Merton L. Kimball, C. P. G. G. Mason, Sec'y.

MR. HOPKINS LODGE, No. 68, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Leona G. Tubbs, H. G.; Eva M. Kimball, Sec'y.

HARVEY LODGE, No. 54, G. A. R., meets in Ryerson Hall, on the third Friday evening of each month. S. L. Etheridge, Com.; W. S. Cordwell, Q. M.

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A. O. NOYES LODGE, No. 22, U. R. K., meets in Pythian Hall the third Friday in each month. A. J. Rowe, Sir Knight Captain; Joseph W. Lebrun, Sec'y.

NORWAY COMMANDERY, No. 247, U. O. G. C., meets 2d and 4th Wednesday evenings of each month. Geo. L. Jackson, N. G.; Louisa Moriam, K. of R.

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NORWAY DIVISION, No. 49, S. O. F., meets at Ryerson Hall every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Ernest Rowe, W. P.; Flora Wheeler, R. S.

NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS COUNCIL, No. 10, U. O. A. M., meets at Ryerson Hall every Friday night at 8 o'clock. M. F. Gannon, Councilor; H. K. Howard, Rec. Sec'y.

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Early Settlers of Raymond.

BY MARK TAPLEY, NO. 17.

After the close of the Revolutionary struggle, the returned veterans had disposed of their continental money at great sacrifice, much worse than 16 to 1 (still it was the best the country had to offer and was afterward fully redeemed) and people had become what we now term settled down to hard pan, the population of the town began to increase very rapidly. Emigrants came from most of the lower towns, also other States, besides several deserters from the British army.

The heavy virgin forests disappeared as if by magic, the log houses and hovels gave place to others much more capacious and convenient, roads were built and many carriages were introduced. Though rudely constructed and unattractive, they were considered a great convenience and highly appreciated by these contented and happy people, as none had anything better.

The building of a framed house at that day was a protracted, tedious job compared with the architecture of the present day with the numerous facilities, and almost every part accurately fitted by machinery. The frame was hewn in the woods with a broad ax, and the adjusting and raising was a long and difficult job requiring the strength of a large number of men. The roof was covered with cedar or pine splits, four feet in length and shaven smooth.

All mills were made by a common blacksmith at an enormous cost, the process being somewhat after this: A plate of wrought iron was hammered to the required thickness, then cut in narrow strips by a monstrous pair of shears, after which each nail was shaped and pointed by hand, and headed in a vise. A glance at an old account book of one of the settlers shows that shingle nails sold at one dollar per pound and board nails fifty cents.

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The Deer Hunter.

The deer slayers of Bryant's Pond have been on the war path again, and true record of their deeds would make material for one of the yellow covered, sensational dime novels of the day. It would commence something like this:

It was early morn, the crimson rays of the rising sun were painting their bright fingers over the eastern mountains, while from the west came fierce gusts of wind which filled the air with a dust of fine flinty snow that pierced the face like needles; the cold was intense, and it was no wonder that the quiet people of the village marvelled, an ran to their doors and peeped out of frost covered windows as the clarion notes of horn and bugle and shouting of hoarse voices greeted their astonished ears at this unreasonable hour.

What could it mean? Surely that is Al. Bowker, the broncho rider, in the velvet, but he carries a magazine rifle in his hand, while his waist is encased in a belt full of cartridges, and hanging to that heavy revolver with carved ivory handles, and a huge hunting knife with a keen edged blade, and there comes Geo. Jones the druggist, usually a mild and peaceful citizen, and to make matters worse, he is dressed in buckskin and moccasins.

Well, well! who is that fellow, yelling like a Comanche Indian? and carrying a gun big enough for an English grenadier? Why! that is little Lewis Day, the drummer boy. He must be going out west to fight the untamed savages. And there comes Peaton, the Canadian, loaded with blankets and big packages of rations, and a suspicious looking pistol sticking out of each pocket. Does he talk French? Well, rather, and he looks like a real *garcon de arme* too.

What! another? Carl Dudley dressed up with leggings, and long ulster, and military hat, and loaded down with a '32 Martini' and a '32 Colt' and two or three hundred rounds of cartridges, and don't look like the innocent soldier that he is, just from the peaceful halls of learning; "a warrior bold" looks Carl.

And here comes another man that looks as if he had "seen service." He carries a Winchester carbine, but he is evidently equipped in light marching order, and the others address him as "Colonel." Perhaps he is going to command this suspicious looking detachment, or may be he has assumed this military outfit as a disguise, and this military outfit is a disguise, and goes really in the role of a detective to learn the purpose of the others. While the people are curiously watching this unusual scene in the usually quiet village, and wondering if this noisy crowd is going to Cuba to aid the insurgents in their struggle for liberty, or perhaps to the western frontiers as scouts, or cow boys, up the street dashes a double team of high spirited horses and a large box sleigh with three double seats and a half load of camping equipments, cooking utensils, supplies, etc., and a crowd of war-like men jump into the sleigh and drive rapidly out of the village.

Now the sequel of this sensational preface is simply this: This "noisy club" went once to Woodstock Common to camp out and hunt deer. Did they get any? No! "Nitt" of course not. Had you been in that vicinity during the two days the slayers were in camp, you would be willing to testify a whole regiment of recruits were in the woods drilling in a sham fight. Had there been any deer within five miles, they would have been scared, they would not have stopped running till they had passed the Canada line. What did they get?

Well now, in confidence, I'll just tell you. One red squirrel—and a few mischiefs. The sleigh was wrecked in the woods, Geo. Jones was crippled by a vicious kick from one of the horses, Peaton drove a nail into his rubber overshoe and nearly lost a big toe, the Colonel and the drummer boy got lost in the woods, and had a narrow escape from being petrified with the intense cold, and the club had to sit up 'o nights and keep the camp fires burning brightly, or perish.

Any fun? Lots of it; amateur horse-keeping in a freely ventilated camp; competitive cooking over a two foot stove; target practice with rifle and pistol; trying to sleep in a temperature below zero; skill at cards; glee songs and private theatricals. The boys left home full of hope, expectation and enthusiasm, and returned cold, tired, dejected and disappointed.

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When Should Young Men Marry?

Seeing in your last issue an article headed, "When a Girl Should Marry," it would be convenient for the same to be set forth the qualifications of a young man about to marry, entitled, for instance, When a Man Should Marry. AN INQUIRER.

True's Pin Worm Elixir.
Famous for nearly a half century, still maintains its high reputation as a remedy of great efficacy and steady merit; the corroborative of this comes the report, that within the last three months Dr. J. F. True & Co., Auburn, Me., have found it necessary to prepare 28,000 bottles of this good old remedy.

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There will be a Union Christmas tree at the Baptist church at 4 o'clock. The village school, Gertrude Palmer, teacher, has closed till after Christmas. Large part of the apples raised in this section still remain, there being no call for them.

Mr. Morris Fogg, foreman at the corn shop, has moved his family here from Auburn and will have charge of making the cans. Braden & Russell have moved the machinery and stock of the Littlefield mill at North Paris, consisting of dowsels and squares and are having them hauled to their mill at East Sumner. They recently shipped a large order of dowsels to England.

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The Song in the

It was not in the morning, nor in the evening, nor in the middle of the day, but in the heart of the night, when the stars were shining brightly, and the moon was full, and the wind was blowing soft and sweet, that a young man and a young woman were sitting on a hill, and looking out over the valley, and singing a song that was old and true, and that was full of love and hope and faith.

Written for the Ad.
Buckfield's Bus.
Nearly fifty years ago, a correspondent dropped a field village the second, ability the last time, (for the last time, I think) the business then was people were anxious to in the place, by in reality, by holding out the capitalist outside to after the manner of other out the state and country. In such times, some who mentioned, without giving the business then carried ing at that time and the present a criterion of the ness, then and now. At that time our old tr Bart, having from long- quaint sayings become a mark, so to speak, did business in his line. St this he had but one horse- horses and a man. Wm. It is a business with one horse works one horse a great several others come in over Irish Bros. have a team for work.

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The Song in the Night.

(Written for the Advertiser.)

It was not in the morning's glow,
Nor on the noonday's brilliant light,
The song of earth's sweetest story
Was sung in the hush of night.

Over Judea's hills and valleys,
Where the angels' feet were seen,
While Bethlehem, all unconscious,
Lay hushed in the arms of sleep.

In plains, where watchful shepherds
Kept silence, deep and long,
That first glad Christmas night-time,
Rang out the angelic song.

Song grandest of all the ages,
"Good tidings" from Heaven to earth:
"Great joy" to the world, proclaim it—
The news of the Saviour's birth.

When the day's bright hours are ended,
And night is her somber train
Brings the dim and dusky shadows,
Sing the Christmas song again.

Far down through the misty ages
Has its mellow music rolled—
This wondrous, sweet song-story,
That is ever new, yet old.

Sweeter each year is the story,
Dearer than ever before:
Sung by the lofty and lowly,
Loved by the rich and the poor.

Song that will ever bring gladness—
Making earth's shadow and bright;
Beautiful song of the angels!
Wonderful song in the night!

Norway, Jan. 1, 1897. J. L. E. ANDRETT.

**Written for the Advertiser.
Buckfield's Business.**

Nearly fifteen years ago when your newspaper dropped down in Buckfield village the second, and in all probability the last time, for the lengthening shadows and the languid step admonish that the last transit is not far off the business then was light and the people were anxious to infuse new life into the place, by holding out inducements to capitalist outside to come among us, after the manner of other towns throughout the state and country.

In such times, some who have conscientious scruples about exempting capital from taxation, and in many cases have learned to their cost that strangers whose only capital was a mouth, were too willing to engage, provided a building be furnished, taxes exempted, etc. Such are often accused of narrow mindedness, lacking public spirit, by those who have nothing to lose, and whose only ambition is for a day's work. This town has had its full share of these capitalists whose stock in trade was naught but wind.

Commencing at the period before mentioned, into detail of the business then carried on, the trucking at that time and the present may present a criterion of the relative business, then and now.

At that time our old truckman, Wm. Bart, having from long service and quaint sayings become a familiar landmark, so to speak, did nearly all the business in his line. Shortly prior to this he had but one horse. He has two horses and a man. Wm. Record makes it a business with one horse. A. A. Farrar works one horse a great deal, while several others come in occasionally, and Irish Bros. have a team for their special work.

The Withington brush manufacture is the oldest extant. This was introduced here many years ago by Chas. Withington, now deceased. It later was carried on under the name of Withington & Sons, which firm name it now retains. The sons were the present Frank P. and Charles. The work is standard in the market, and has been of great benefit to the place by giving employment to residents help, and no a little trade to our merchants. The business has lately been transformed into a stock company.

We vote it success, for public as well as private considerations.

The Die Block business started about a quarter of a century ago by G. A. Harlow, (the first of the kind in the State) is now carried on by Atwood & Atwood. The crude machinery and hand plane work at the start, has been supplanted by improved machinery bringing the finished work up to a high plane of workmanship. Beside die blocks they turn out meat blocks, meat tables, block benches, fine cutting boards of all descriptions.

Irish Bros. have quite a good business in die blocks in all varieties, furnishing brush blocks for the Withington brush factory, and in connection with the manufacture of dressed lumber, carry on quite an extensive business, employing considerable help.

Their plant consists of the saw mill and the brick mill, built many years ago for the manufacture of stave, when all Yankeeedom was aglow with the staro-fad. A shingle mill, with their trade in Arrowstock shingles, adds quite a little to the business.

The Portland Packing Co., Henry Nutty agent, has been in operation several years under this and other firms. This adds not a little to the revenue of the farming community.

The steam mill, built some years since for the manufacture of toothpicks, which has been lying idle for some time, has lately been bought by Geo. H. Hersey, (a son of Henry Hersey of Sumner) and converted into a foundry, as an adjunct to his business, in the manufacture of steam heaters, as well as general foundry work.

The grist and feed mill, Heald & Lunt proprietors, do an immense business in their line. We often hear the expression, couched in language of surprise, "Where in the world do the people get the money to buy so much feed?"

I. W. Shaw, hardware, groceries and Yankee notions, has grown from one store to a double brick establishment, with a nice office just completed, (for which we all expect to be highly assessed).

The other dealers carry good stocks in their line, to particularize would occupy too much space.

General stores, C. B. Atwood & Co., Benj. Spaulding, R. H. Morrill, Boots, shoes and jewelry, C. H. Tuttle, Books, Alfred F. Cole, Meats and provisions, Geo. Holland, C. S. Childs, Long, C. G. Cole, proprietor, Undertaker, E. G. Cole, Marble worker, A. W. Libby, Boot and shoe maker and repairer, J. F. Packard.

Machinist, A. Damon, Dentist, C. S. Childs, A. E. Cole, House painter, Alfred Hollister, Blacksmiths, B. F. Bicknell, Cloutier & Turner, Carriage maker, R. C. Dorman, Carriage repairs and jobbing, G. W. Tilton, Barber, Wilson Conant, Butcher house, Wm. Bridgman, Physicians, Wm. P. Bridgman, J. C. Caldwell, W. L. Blanchard, A. C. Whitman, Millinery, Laura Tucker, Dressmaking, Mrs. Seaman and Miss Packard, Mrs. Cloutier, Lawyers, O. H. Hersey, Thos. S. Bridgman, Justice of the peace, F. A. Rich, Methodist, Sumner Bangs, Baptist, Masonic, Evening Star Lodge, I. O. O. F., Westminster, I. O. O. F., Good Faith, U. O. G. C., Lone Star.

Last, though not least comes the Woman's Club of 25 members, this being the limit fixed by the club. They are nearly approaching a two years' existence, hale and hearty. Rumor has it that another is to be formed, and this is well for them, as many things to be learned from books and association, other than "gossip" which the present club was dubbed at its inception. Even the men might profit by the formation of a club to discuss current events.

And here comes to my mind a Young Men's Club which meets with Dr. O. R. Hall once a week for the study of his sight. The doctor though deprived of sight, has more of the historical, and of his brain than a regiment of filters, and while he is imparting knowledge for their advancement it also accords him great pleasure.

There has been no great amount of building for several years, but a former resident after an absence of one year, on returning will readily discover an air of neatness, and a decided improvement in nearly all buildings, so that many an old landmark will not be recognizable. The Old Fellows Hall, two story building, is one of the modern structures, and the "Old Church on the Hill" having been repaired by old time residents, and the town assisting to the amount of \$250, gives us, undoubtedly one of the best, if not the best town hall in the county.

And yet we are not satisfied. The call is for more business, dull trade, and its accompaniments is often heard. Yet Buckfield merchants are second to none in the commercial world. Their trade is sought after. Did you ever think that these quiet villages with less of bustle and jargon of foreign tongues were the more desirable spots in which to live?

Appropos of the above, I quote the following, "The Story of a Town," which I glean from "The Household." I have used the same before, but acting on the principle that an actual truth cannot appear too often, is my excuse for my oft reference.

"A shrewd business man in Chicago was summoned to a quiet inland town. He gave his advice, but when taking leave of his clients, amazed them by saying, 'We struggle to make money that we may bring the country and quiet and leisure into our lives that you have got already. Why do you give these things

up for the chance of making money?'"

Hoping that none have been slighted in this brief outline of the business interests of Buckfield, and if any one or anything should fail to appear, there may appear some excuse on account of my isolated condition of late, in being confined at home by illness.

GILBERT TILTON.

Why not profit by the experiences of others who have found a permanent cure for catarrh in Hood's Sarsaparilla?

NORTH-WEST NORWAY.

Mabel Cross and Edna Brown are spending their vacation at home.

Lillian Anderson is at work for Mrs. Dutton at Norway during her vacation.

Rev. Joseph E. Cross has bought the horse, sleigh, wagon and harness that he had on trial.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams from Massachusetts are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Stephen Merrill.

S. T. Arno and a friend of his, Mr. Webster from Leeds, have been visiting at Dr. Walker's. They went to Stoneham, Mass., and at Mrs. A. A. Ruffe's, Otis Brown's and at Mrs. A. A. Ruffe's.

Oliver Merrill and Mr. Hamlin from Otisfield have taken a job in Greenwood to haul several thousand of hard wood lumber to Willis' mill and they are at work and Charles Merrill is working for them. Mr. Oliver Merrill is cooking for them.

Did you ever stop to think what indigestion really means? It means simply that your stomach is tired. If our legs are tired, we ride. The horse and the steam engine do the work. Why not give your stomach a ride; that is, let something else do its work. Foods can be digested outside of the body. All plants contain digestive principles which will do this. The Shaker Digestive Cord contains digestive principles and is a preparation designed to rest the stomach. The Shakers themselves have such unbounded confidence in it that they have placed 10 cent sample bottles on the market, and it is said that even so small a quantity proves beneficial in a vast majority of cases. All druggists keep it.

Laxol is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

NORTH ALBANY.

N. M. Scribner moves to Mason, this week, in one of A. S. Bean's rents for the winter.

Mrs. Mary Bell of West Bethel spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. N. M. Scribner of this place.

"A shrewd business man in Chicago was summoned to a quiet inland town. He gave his advice, but when taking leave of his clients, amazed them by saying, 'We struggle to make money that we may bring the country and quiet and leisure into our lives that you have got already. Why do you give these things

Coughs, Colds, and Consumption in its early stages are immediately relieved and cured by Adams' Botanic Cough Balsam, an absolutely safe remedy for all throat and lung affections. 30c. and 50c.

OXFORD.

Rev. Albert Libby preached in the Methodist church, Sunday.

John Chase, who sold thirty thousand of timber, is now cutting it.

The Progressive Club met with Mrs. S. F. Dean, Thursday evening.

D. S. Richmond, who has been sick of typhoid fever, is on the gain.

Mrs. I. M. Keith and Ida Hawkes have been here from Boston for the holidays.

Mrs. Julia Wardwell died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Merrill Brackett, on Sunday.

Mrs. A. L. Hersey is quite sick and on Saturday was attended by a physician from Lewiston.

Mrs. Martha Davis of Mechanic Falls was the guest of Geo. Houghton, during the Advent Convention.

Mrs. Ada E. Pratt and two children spent a few days recently with her father, Madison Harris of Holm.

Mrs. Joseph Hunting with her son and daughter of Plymouth, Mass., are visiting at Mrs. Hunting's father, Nathan Dudley.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hackett were among those present at the gathering at which Hackett's to celebrate his eightieth birthday.

OXFORD DEPOT.—Christmas was observed at the M. E. church as usual, Christmas evening.

Roscoe Staples is a little better.

Whooping cough is raging here.

Master Ashley Thurston is visiting at J. S. French's.

F. J. Hall had a family Christmas tree, Saturday night.

Stephen Jilison is doing a thriving business at the station, saving logs.

Marjorie Holmes of the Bellows School, Portland, is spending the holidays at J. F. Fuller's.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Jan. 1897. Sold by Druggists, price 50c. per bottle.

Advertised Letters, Norway.

Mrs. Minnie Brown, Mrs. Ira N. Putnam, Mrs. Lottie F. Packard, H. H. Archibald, Alie Abbott, Fred Bennett, Fred Davis, W. E. Cole, Wm. H. Field, S. E. Parker, G. G. Presc. ut, Mrs. Isabel Bennett.

"How to Cure All Skin Diseases." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for SWAYNE'S OINTMENT. 40-41.

Our Master.

By VIVIAN VINCENT.

It is passing strange, as the years go by,
And the eyelids grow old,
That the old, old story is ever new—
That love can never grow old;
That nations will blush,
And women will weep,
And men will die and dare,
That Love is lord over all the earth,
Be fortune fields or fair.

We scout at his rule, when the heart is free,
And sneer at his mystic power;
But it comes unheralded, soon or late,
The insidious, fate-fraught hour;
And the heart grows quick,
And the heart throbs deep,
When love doth come to reign,
We drain to the dregs the cup he holds—
We taste love's pleasure and pain.

There is always pain with the pleasure mixed,
Like thorns with the roses fair;
And the heart that loves can never again
Be utterly free from care.

Love brings us burdens,
Love makes us his slaves,
He mingles our bliss with pain;
Yet, the heart he holds in his fatal thrall,
Asks not to be free again.
Norway, Nov. 11, 1896.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 133 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else, then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. It is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which there are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at Noyes Drug Store, Norway, and Shurtlett's Pharmacy, South Paris. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

Woman's Column.

Will some lady give a recipe for making cream fruit cake? The one I had was lost by the fire.—(MRS. JANE S. BROWN.)

A Cure for Lame Back.

"My daughter, when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Louisa Grover, of Sandy, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by Noyes Drug Store, 1-5.

A shrewd business man would just as much think of going without his breakfast every morning, and hobbling to business with but one boot on for economy sake, as to try and run his business without advertising; yet there are many men who never advertise, but who wonder why their neighbors, Mr. Go-Ahead and Messrs. Up-To-Speed & Co., who do several hundred per cent. more business than they do, get rich and retire, and that on a capital far less than that with which the non-advertiser opened store.

BLUE STORE.

Semi-Annual Mark-Down Sale,
Commencing Saturday, Dec. 26.

50 Men's Suits, at \$5.00, worth \$7.50 to 10.
50 " " " \$7.50, " \$10.00 " 12.
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Uisters, Overcoats, Reefers, Fur Coats,
At a less price than ever before named.

Youths' and Boys' Clothing
Equally as cheap.

Undewear and Overshirts
At astonishing low prices.

Our sales this year have been larger than ever before. We are satisfied with the results and don't expect to make any more money until another season. It is a matter now of cleaning up our stock. We don't believe in carrying over goods, rather sell them at a sacrifice. COME AND SEE US.

WHEN WE ADVERTISE BARGAINS WE GIVE THEM.

In our Custom Tailoring Department
We will make up the balance of our WOOLENS and WORSTEDS at a discount.

BLUE STORE,
NOYES & ANDREWS, Proprietors.

OUR BOOTS
\$1.25, 1.50, 1.75,
2.00, 2.25, 2.50
and 3.00

WE ARE SELLING FOR LADIES
ARE THE Best We Ever Sold For the Price.

Remember the Place,
SMILEY SHOE STORE,
E. N. SWEET, Manager.
NORWAY, ME.
Next Door to Misses Prince's New Store.

LOOK IN THE WINDOWS!

WALNUTS, 15c. per lb., 2 lbs. for 25c.
All nice and white meated.

We have also one of the best line of CIGARS in town, such as Harvard, Tom Reed, Sleeper's Eye, Pippins, Lawrence's 103, Morn, Upman's Extra 5, Harvard Ponies, Jersey Sixes. Also a big stock of TOBACCO at

E. F. BICKNELL—
141 Main Street, Sign Hamlin & Bicknell.

FRANK A. RENDALL,
SUCCESSOR TO
A. J. Verrill & Co.,
Marble and Granite Monumental Works,
Auburn, Maine.

No agents, no canvassing expenses. A very large stock of finished work of all kinds with prices lower than ever, and return railroad fares allowed on all work bought of me at the store exceeding \$25 ought to be object for every intending buyer to call on me before placing an order of any kind. Terra cotta vases and bouquet holders always in stock.

Cut Prices for the Next Six Weeks. 461f

Choice California Canned Fruits.

We have just received the new pack of Yellow Peaches, Lemon Chug Peaches, Pears, Apricots and Green Gage Plums, and shall sell at prices that will please you.

Also, new Prunes, Evap. Peaches and Apricots.

CHAS. F. RIDLON,
98 Main Street, Opp. Post Office, Norway, Me.
Have you tried Instantaneous Gelatine?

Special Sale.

Stock-taking time has arrived and before taking stock we shall close out lots of goods at wholesale prices and some goods at less than wholesale prices.

Bargains in Blankets.
Gray Blankets 10-4, at 45c. per pair.
" " " 11-4, " 55c. " "
White " at reduced prices.

Garments and Shawls at prices to suit Customers.

Holiday Goods At prices—COME IN AND SEE.

Remember, Special Sales we make prices so low that we do not punch coupons. Come in and see us and we will please you with the bargains we will show you. Yours respectfully,

NOYES & ANDREWS,
DRY GOODS STORE.

UNTIL AFTER NEW YEAR'S

We will continue to sell anything
-X- in our fancy goods line at very low prices.

NOYES DRUG STORE,

Norway, Maine.

"Blow Hot, Blow Cold."

There are no fluctuating prices put on our fine Overcoats. They are not that kind of merchandise. The quality of the fabric, the workmanship and the style of our garments are what makes the value. Figures on a garment do not make the quality or signify the value, where prices are down today and up tomorrow.

It's different here; we buy the best to be obtained and sell it at a legitimate profit and strictly at one price. Strangers and friends are treated with equal fairness. We guarantee every article we sell to be strictly true to representation.

MONEY BACK IF NOT SUITED.

H. B. FOSTER,
Opera House Block, - - NORWAY, MAINE.

Day by Day

You need to consult an Almanac. If you want a good one, I have several kinds for ten cents.

Night after Night

You want to make a record of what the day has brought forth. Get a diary at

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143 Main Street, - - NORWAY, ME.

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Three-week World, N. Y. \$2.20
 Mirror & Farmer, Manchester, N. H. 2.00
 Cultivator and Country Gentleman, 1.50
 Our Pamb. Animals, 1.50
 Every Month, 2.00
 Farm and Garden, 2.00
 Boston Weekly Journal, 2.00
 Harper's Magazine, 4.00
 "Bazar, 4.00
 "Round Table, 2.00
 N. Y. Weekly Press, 2.00

We club with nearly every paper published and can save you something in getting them.

Any of our subscribers, whether old or new, can avail themselves of our club list. Address

F. W. SANBORN,
 NORWAY, MAINE.
 Our Club List expires Feb. 15, 1897.

Our Premium Offers.

We have made arrangements whereby our subscribers for a little extra money can make a selection of good books. Any subscriber when paying for their paper can have the books of their selection sent to them at the following prices:

Leatherstocking Tales and ADVERTISER \$1.75
 Useful and Popular Books 5 books that you may select and the ADVERTISER 1 year for... 1.50
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 For full particulars, see supplement of Dec. 11.

If you wish to purchase any of the books, they will be sent to you at the prices given. Address

F. W. SANBORN, NORWAY, ME.

When Trains Leave Norway.

Leaves Norway for Portland and Lewiston.

6:20, 9:25 a. m.; 4:00 p. m.

Leaves Norway for Gorham and West.

9:25 a. m.; 3:25, 7:50 p. m.

*Including Sunday.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

John S. French is at home from his studies at Clark University, for a short vacation.

The Bridgeton News says: "Our Walter Thompson, who went to Lynn for a job, found the shoe business so dull there that he soon returned to Norway."

Walter Brett bought of Charles E. Ryerson of Bethel, the promising four-year-old horse, Bethel Boy. Brett feels proud of his purchase, and avers that the animal not only promises to be speedy but already fulfills that promise.

The manager of the Robinson Dramatic Co. played his company in this town at a very poor time for shows. During Christmas week, people have on their minds weightier subjects than amusements at the Opera House, and the actors do not get the attention which they might otherwise receive. The company is one of the strongest that ever visited Norway. They play their parts with ease and naturalness; nothing hitches or delays; conversation is not given like ordinary. From here they went to Lewiston to play in the Opera House in that city.

Augustus Noyes called on the ADVERTISER and had a pleasant chat, Saturday morning. Mr. Noyes says that he has three sons in Massachusetts, and that by some oversight, we mentioned his stay in Massachusetts with only one when he and Mrs. Noyes actually visited them all. One son, George W. Noyes, is a locomotive engineer and lives at West Quincy, Mass. Mr. Noyes says that he had a good time at Quincy, and that it was a nerve-racking surprise to watch the work done in the granite quarries at that place, where they often handle monoliths weighing a hundred tons or so. Another son, Ernest M. Noyes, is located at Middleboro. He is a good boy, like the others, and was glad to see his father.

A Christmas supper for the Sunday school has become a custom at the Universalist church. Last Friday evening, Mrs. W. H. Robinson was in charge of that part of the work. The tables were set on the stage in the vestry, and more than one hundred and fifty partook of a bountiful repast. The piece de resistance was chicken. After the supper, there were some interesting exercises. Superintendent Stephen B. Cummings presided and announced this program:

Recitation..... Annie Shank
 Recitation..... Leah Wetherbee
 Recitation..... Helen Libby
 Singing..... Belle Stone
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 Recitation..... Sarah Freeman
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 Recitation..... Hattie Merrill
 Recitation..... Hattie Merrill
 Singing..... Edna Frost and Lottie Young

Two large and early decorated Christmas trees had been heavily laden with presents. These were taken off and the names of the lucky ones announced by Rev. Caroline E. Angell and Charles S. Akers. Several young ladies acted as messengers and the work of distribution was easily and neatly done.

The Congregational church was crowded, Sunday evening. The listeners were well repaid for the concert was one of the best ever given by that Sunday school. There was a chorus of thirty adults and another of a dozen children. They were well drilled and the effect produced by the smaller chorus on solo parts with the larger in refrains was fine. A. E. Norworthy, with his cornet, assisted in the music. The speaking by the children was good. Program:

Organ Voluntary..... Large Chorus
 Responsive Reading..... Pastor and Congregation
 Prayer..... Pastor
 Recitation..... Mrs. Finner, Miss Cook and Large Chorus
 Recitation..... Gladys Keen
 Recitation..... Florence Ridgway
 Carol, Hark the Angels..... Both Chorus
 Recitation..... Lottie Lovely
 Great Messiah, No. 2..... Large Chorus
 Carol, How Bled the Man..... Both Chorus
 Recitation..... Mildred Holmes
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 Chimes of Beauty..... Large Chorus
 Recitation..... Lizzie Frost
 Carol, Hark the Happy Bells..... Both Chorus
 Recitation..... Lizzie Frost
 God of Israel..... Large Chorus
 Benediction.....

Robert N. Millett is teaching the West Rockport high school.

The young people at the Beal's Hotel had a Christmas tree in the dining room, Friday evening.

As we predicted, the "Woman's Town Meeting" that was an original Norway idea and first presented here is becoming popular. The one recently held at Chase's Mills was a decided success.

The rehearsal of the local branch of the Maine Music Festival, Saturday night, drew a full attendance of members and patrons. Prof. Chapman was in attendance, but as he was suffering from a severe cold, did not take complete charge of the rehearsal as had been intended. He made a neat speech, complimenting the local chorus on the work done, with considerable praise for Rev. M. H. Carroll, the director, and Mrs. Cora S. Briggs, the accompanist. When he did take the baton, he went at the work with a vigor and directness that were surprising. He has a good-natured way of saying severe criticisms and at the same time creating a desire to do better. The rehearsal lasted till ten o'clock and then people were surprised to find that it was so late.

A very happy reunion was held at the home of Mrs. Job B. Crooker, on Christmas day. Four generations were represented, the list of those present being as follows: Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Linnell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Noyes, Mrs. Horace Pike, Mercy A. Crooker, Sarah D. Crooker. The above ladies are the seven daughters of Mrs. Crooker.

The others present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hosmer, Norway; Mr. and Mrs. Given, Portland; Grace Burgess and Mrs. Eldridge, Auburn; Frank Pike, Iza Pike, Harold, Beatrice and Carleton Neal, Ocar Burgess and Herman Given. The day was very pleasantly spent and was much enjoyed by all present. Grace Burgess entertained the party with several amusing stories. This was the first time for many years that all of the daughters have been at home at the same time. After the Christmas dinner was over, the party went to F. D. Briggs' store and was weighed, the combined weight of the seven sisters being 1187½ pounds.

Friday evening, the Methodists had this entertainment:

Singing..... by the Choir
 Welcome..... by the Pastor
 Singing..... by the Children
 Recitation, Santa's Secret..... Higgins
 Dialogue, How to Spell Christmas..... Isabella Crockett
 Dialogue..... Isabella Crockett
 Quartette..... Isabella Crockett
 Dialogue..... Isabella Crockett
 Recitation, How He Does It..... Vivian Callin
 Christmas Greeting..... Eva Muirhead
 Singing..... by four Girls
 Recitation..... Ella Townsend
 Dolly's Christmas..... Affiliated Cole
 Singing..... by the Children

The little ones all spoke nicely, and the audience showed hearty appreciation. Then came the expected distribution of presents. A "Christmas boat," in charge of a bravely seaman, occupied the choir niche and was filled with nice things. O. L. Stone, as the seaman, charged the cargo to the different consignees. Lastly there was a very pleasing feature. The Sunday school superintendent, H. E. Gibson, awarded the choir niche and cash prizes to the children who had the best records for attendance during the year. There were twenty that received one dollar each:

Frank Palmer, Luther Lawrence, Clifford Lawrence, Ray Kelly, Willie Durell, Martha Higgins, Orlanna Koonen, Blane Be Hart, Gerlie Higgins, Eva Muirhead, Fanny Boynton.

Fifteen received fifty cents each:

Margaret Kelley, Gerlie Eldridge, Blanche Harriman, Ethel Proctor, Annie Eldridge, Mildred Kelley, Leon Lombard, Irving Morgan, Willie Lemare.

Thirteen received twenty cents each:

Luther Lawrence, Ray Kelly, Ida Pratt, Bella Stevens, Winnie Snow, Carl Stone, Ralph Harriman.

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Of Joseph Bradbury, an immigrant of 1807.

FOURTEENTH PAPER.

"They loved—but the story we cannot unfold. They loved—but the heart of the haughty is cold. They loved—but no wall from their slumbers will come. They loved—but the tongue of their gladness is dumb."

We have heard much already of Moses (11) of New Gloucester, and his wife Abigail Fogg. His father was Jacob (10) a grandson of the immigrant Thomas, and Jacob's wife mother was Sarah, the daughter of Robert Pike who so bravely defended those charged with witchcraft in the times of that terrible and fatal delusion.

Now Moses (11) has a brother Jacob (11) b. Oct. 6, 1710, and who m. Abigail Eaton, Dec. 15, 1733. His early life was spent in Biddeford, in whence he moved to Buxton where he d. in 1797. He lies on the same river next above Biddeford and Saco, and Buxton lies north of Hollis.

This couple, Jacob (11) and Abigail Eaton, have 14 children, only two of whom d. in infancy. The second Moses (12) was taken prisoner at Fort William Henry in August, 1757, during the French and Indian wars.

The eleventh, Jabez (12) lived in Buxton. He had two wives and ten children, 3 boys and 7 girls, b. 1735-1811. His oldest boy, Joseph, (13) m. Susan Crockett of Gorham, who d. Oct. 21, 1811, and he m. 2d Sally Steele. He d. Dec. 2, 1830. He has 16 children b. 1738-1831. He must have thought very much of his wife or of her people, or both, as he remembered her family name in naming six of his children. The first, Samuel Crockett (14)—third, Eliza Crockett (14)—fifth, James Crockett (14) was a physician—eighth, Susan Crockett (14) d. at 16 months—eleventh, Susan Crockett (14)—fifteenth, Eliza Crockett (14).

Winthrop (12) the twelfth child of Jacob (11) and his wife Abigail Eaton, bap. Oct. 9, 1768, m. Susan Hazeltine. He resided in Buxton and Hollis. There is something quite remarkable about his disappearance. In the winter of 1788 he went to Saco Pool with a load of wood and never was heard of after. The mystery surrounding his disappearance was never solved. He had two children:

—First, Ruth (13) m. Hudson Bailey of Portland who was a cooper by trade and who was much at sea and in the West Indies. About 1839 he moved to Hamlin's Gore in this county, and built the brick house now standing above North Woodstock on the R. R. road.

—Second, Abigail (13) m. 1st Stephen Mitchell, 2d Jonas Hamilton who hauled goods from Portland long before railroad days. They lived a long time at Paris Cape. They have six children, one of whom, Jonas, Jr., (14) is the well-known Superintendent of the P. & O. R. R.

Eljah (12) is the name of another of Jacob (11) of Buxton's boys. He m. Sarah, daughter of Capt. John Lane. He was in the revolutionary war and served under Gen. Washington on the Hudson. He was in the battles of Guilford, Court House and King's Mountain. After the war he was a farmer in Buxton where he had a family of eight children (13) b. 1738-1792.

Eljah's (12) third child, named for his father, Eljah (13) b. March 28, 1784, m. 1st Sallie Gleason, a sister of the late Judge Joseph Howard of Portland, 2d Ann Pray Hunt. He d. in Buxton, Feb. 7, 1830.

This man settled in Brownfield early in life, when that country was mostly covered with forests and wild animals were numerous. One winter's day he was in the woods with his ox-team after wood, and discovered an old bear and two large cubs beneath the enormous roots of an overhanging tree. With more courage than discretion he attacked them with his ax, and after nearly four hours of desperate fighting he came off victorious. Loading his three bears upon his sled he appeared at his house with a load of wild animals in the place of wood.

Among this man's eight children (14) b. 1810-1824, was an Eljah (14) b. in Brownfield Jan'y 19, 1813, who m. Caroline Day, and who had a family of seven children (15) b. 1813-1864. Among these was a George E. who was killed at the battle of Spotsylvania, May 12, 1864; and also an Eljah (14).

Eljah (12) and his wife Sarah Lane, have a Jabez (13) b. in Buxton Sept. 22, 1790, m. Ann Maria Knight of Calais. He settled in Hollis where he was a farmer and lumberman, an energetic, public spirited man. He served in the legislature and was a member of the executive council. He had large influence in town and county.

He d. in 1836, in the prime of life. A cousin of his being very sick with fever, he went to care for him. The disease proved to be small pox. He took the disease and died, his cousin got well.

He has five children (14) b. 1816-1835. His third child, Albert E. C., graduated from Bowdoin in 1844, and as M. D. from Harvard in 1854, m. Helen E. Smith, and d. in Santa Barbara, Cal., in 1876.

His fourth child, Henry Knight (14) b. Oct. 4, 1826, m. Emily C. White. He graduated at Bowdoin in 1844, (at eighteen years of age as the dates show). Went south some time as private tutor, studied law, was admitted to the bar, practiced in Hollis, Wilton, Southern California, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. He later returned to Hollis, where he has been a prominent citizen. He has been three times elected representative to the Maine legislature.

Returning once more to Jacob (11) of Biddeford and Buxton and his wife Abigail Eaton, we find his fourteenth and last child was named Joseph (12). He was baptized in 1748 and m. Patience Goodwin of Kennebunk, d. Sept. 7, 1819, aged 52. She d. Nov. 13, 1840, aged 82. His life was spent in Buxton, where ten children (13) entered his family b. 1776-1800.

His second boy Joseph (13) named for his father, b. Dec. 22, 1777, m. Ruth Libby and has eight children (14) b. 1819-1826. On May 4, 1818, a boy was b. and named Levi Loring (14) and on July 22, 1820, another boy appeared and was named Joseph Francis (14). On July 15, 1828, when one was eight years old and the other ten, these two little fellows were drowned.

Leaving the other eight children of Joseph (12), the son of Jacob (11), I wish to follow the fortunes of his first born, John (13) b. July 5, 1776. He was twice m. 1st to Elsie Tyler, 2d to Mary Locke. What I have to say here of this man John (13) and his two wives, Elsie and Mary, and his descendants has been furnished, very much of it, by his granddaughter, Ann Ella (Bradbury) Burnham (15) now a resident of North Waterford, where Mr. Burnham is engaged in

the manufacture and sale of lumber. They have shown great interest in the progress of this history. The record says they moved from Hollis to Albany, Sept. 16, 1880.

John (13) of Buxton and Hollis, Joseph (12) of Buxton, Jacob (11) of Biddeford and Buxton, Jacob (10), William (9), Thomas (8), the immigrant. By his wife, Elsie Tyler, John (13) has two children: —First of John (13) James B. (14) b. Oct. 21, 1800, m. Farnelia Woodman, lived and d. in Hollis. Has one son, Isaac (15) who was a lumberman at Bar Mills on the Saco. Married and has issue (16).

—Second of John (13) Joseph (14) b. Oct. 27, 1802, m. Sally Pennell. He was also a lumberman at Bar Mills. He lived and d. in Buxton. He has two children:

—1st, Frank M. is a machinist in Vermont.

—2d, Eliza died in infancy.

By his wife Mary Locke, John (13) has thirteen more children:

—Third of John (13) Stephen Locke (14) b. Dec. 8, 1808, lived in Hollis, where he d. unmarried in 1891.

—Fourth of John (13) Erice Boothby (14) b. April 19, 1810, m. 1st Martha Hodgdon, 2d Hannah Lock. He has three children:

—1st by his first wife d. in infancy (15).

—2d by second wife, Winthrop (15) has been in laundry business, is now an undertaker in Biddeford.

—3d, Laela (15) d. young.

The father d. in 1892 in Hollis.

Fifth of John (13) Samuel Locke (14) b. Nov. 7, 1811, m. Mableta Woodman. He lived in Hollis, where he d. in 1880. He has eight children:

—1st, Martha (15) m. Collins Hanson, a blacksmith of Hollis.

—2d, James Ford (15) is a stone-cutter in Buxton. Was in the war of the Rebel lion three years, seven months of that time in rebel prisons. He is m. and has children (16).

—3d, Isaac (15) m. and lived in Hollis, where he d.

—4th, twin brother (15) of Isaac d. in infancy.

—5th, Cyrus (15) is a stone-cutter in Conn., is m. and has children (16).

—6th, Morris Edgar (15) is m. and is a stone-cutter in Hollis.

—7th, Fred K. (15) m. and has children (16). Is a stone mason in Hollis.

—8th, Lindley L. (15) is a lumberman in Hollis. Is town treasurer. Is m. and has children (16).

—9th, Oliver (15) Olive Piper (14) b. Sept. 5, 1814, m. Israel Warren of Hollis and has two children:

—1st, Joseph F. (15) m. and has children (16). He served in the war as Lieut. and Capt. of Co. C, 27th Me. Vols., and has filled the town offices and served in both branches of the legislature. He lives in Buxton, is a farmer and lumberman.

—2d, Emma (15) has a home at her father's.

Sixth of John (13) Winthrop (14) b. in 1816, was a farmer in Hollis, where he d. in 1841, unmarried.

Eighth of John (13) Mariah (14) b. in 1818, m. Thurston Libby of Lewiston, where she d. She has three children:

—1st, Elsie Etta (15) m. James Hamilton of Saco.

—2d, Ida (15) was drowned at Lewiston.

—3d, John (15) named for his grandfather d. young.

Ninth of John (13) Ivory (14) b. in 1820, m. Olive Libby, d. in 1864. Three children:

—1st, George (15) is m. and has children (16). Is a brickmason.

—2d, Willard (15) is m. and has children (16). Is a brickmason.

—3d, Clarence (15), is unmarried and is also a brickmason. These three brothers work in Massachusetts.

Tenth of John (13) Caleb (14) b. in 1822 in Hollis, m. 1st Catherine Palmer, 2d Margaret Knight, and has eight children:

—1st, Mary (15) m. Cary Waterhouse and has children (16). Lives in Sherbrook, Canada.

—2d, Frank (15) m. and has children (16). He is a trader and stone constructor in Franklin, Me.

—3d, Charles (15) d. young.

—4th, Melissa (15) m. John Harmon and lived in Buxton, where she d. in 1896.

—5th, Martha (15) m. Charles Cauldough of Hollis.

—6th, Howard (15) m. and is in trade in Hollis.

—7th, Warren (15) is a stone mason. Is m. and lives in Hollis.

—8th by second wife, Ardelbert (15) is m. and a trader in Hollis.

The remainder of this numerous family of John (13) of Buxton and Hollis must wait a few days.

YOUTH'S DEPARTMENT.

The Lively Sand Skipper and the Cheerful Seaweed—How the Animals Amuse Their Young.

Skip, skip, skip! hop, hop, hop! jump, jump, jump.

"Oh, how nice it is to be able to jump like this!" said the sand skipper as he came out of his nice cool bed in the sand.

"Why, what are you making all that fuss about?" cried a piece of seaweed that was growing on a rock and was therefore not able to hop, skip or jump at all.

"Fuss indeed!" said the sand skipper. "I want a bit of fun this morning. The sun is so bright and the sky and sea are so blue that I feel happy. I am glad I am not like you, always fastened to one place. That would be so stupid."

And he gave skip after skip till one would have thought that he would have been quite giddy.

The seaweed felt inclined to be cross. But she kept down her temper and said quietly, "But what use is all that?"

"Use!" retorted the sand skipper. "Why, it keeps me lively, and it makes all the children laugh to see me jump. See, here they come in dozens with their wooden spades and pails!"

"Yes," said the seaweed, "and perhaps those wooden spades will batter you to death."

"Oh, I'll take my chances of that," replied the sand skipper, laughing. "Children are never cruel unless they are badly brought up. They are good little souls on the whole. And, pray, let me ask you the same question as you have asked me. Of what use are you, always stuck there in one place on a rock?"

"Why," replied the seaweed, "some day the waves will loosen me and cast me upon the beach. And then the carts will come and carry me and lots of my brothers and sisters away, and then we shall be laid upon the land for manure, and the land will grow corn to make thousands of thousands of loaves to feed thousands of thousands of hungry people."

"Dear me, yes," said the sand skipper. "I never thought of that. So, then, we are both of use in our way."

"Yes, indeed," answered the seaweed cheerily. So the seaweed and the sand skipper parted excellent friends, and the seaweed spread herself out to catch the incoming tide, and the sand skipper skipped away about his own business.

How Animals Amuse Their Young.

In animals the faculty of amusement awakes very early. Our four footed friends seem to be aware of this and make it a part of their parental duties to amuse their young. A ferret will play with her kittens, a cat with her dog with her puppies. A mare will play with her foal, though the writer has never seen a cow try to amuse her calf, or any birds their young. If their mothers do not amuse them, the young ones invent games of their own.

A flock of ewes and lambs were once observed in adjoining fields, separated by a fence with several gaps in it. Follow my leader was the game most in favor with this flock, the biggest lamb leading round the field and then jumping the gap, with all the others following in single file. Any lamb that took the leap specially well would give two or three little jumps out of sheer happiness when it reached the other side.

Little pigs are also great at combined play, which generally takes the form of a race. Emulation appears to form part of their amusement, for their races seem always to have the winning of the first place for their object and are quite different from those combined rushes for food or cansels stampedes which we often see in little pigs. Racing is an amusement natural to some animals. Many horses and all racing dogs learn to be as keen at winning as schoolboys. Birds delight in the free and fanciful use of their wings. There is all the difference possible between the flight of birds for business and pleasure. Many kinds on fine days will soar to vast heights for pleasure alone.

The Missing Link.

The missing link is at the Central park zoo. It is a mite of a monkey mannik, born recently. The birth of a monkey in captivity is one of the rarest of things, and this is only the second time it has occurred at the zoo in 20 years, says the New York Journal.

The missing link has fine features and form, and it was not for its size and its tail it might easily be taken for a human baby. From head to heel it measures only 4 inches. Its head is like a big marble, and on it is funny black fuzz, parted in the middle. Its ears are the size of dimes; its hairless arms are like pencils; its fingers are like pins, and they cling to its mother's furry coat.

It quivers; it wriggles; it jabs its mother in the stomach and insists upon keeping her awake, just as if it were really human. And the mother walks up and down, gurgling sings to it and thinks it the finest baby ever born. She will not let the little one out of her arms for a moment. She sits on the floor of the cage, with her feet as high as her head and pressed against the bars, but when a stranger approaches she seizes the missing link by its hind legs and scuttles up to the crossbar, where she hugs the little one close, croons over it and then looks out defiantly.

The Squaking Doll.

"You are so dear, you pretty pet. You are so dear to me!" In answer to a hearty hug.

The squaking doll said "Kweel!"

"I love you best of all my babes. And I have twenty-three."

Another hug, and then again the squaking doll said "Kweel!"

"We'll never separate, my sweet. Whenever we may be."

Embraced once more by chubby arms the squaking doll said, "Kweel!"

"Now tell me, darling, have you heard all that mamma has spoken?"

The squaking doll made no reply. Because her squeak was broken!

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THE HOUSEHOLD.

Summer Soups That Astonish the English—Preserving the Currant—How to Have Pretty Hands.

Although the American bill of fare claims tribute from every quarter of the globe, still a distinctive national style is being evolved less elaborate than French cookery, but less plain than the English. While American cooks use fewer flavorings and ingredients than the French they are fonder of made dishes than are the English and also more given to the lavish use of butter, cream, vegetables and expensive little accessories.

One prominent feature of American cookery which astonishes our transatlantic cousins is the cream soup made without stock. There are many varieties of this, of which the foundation is always the same—namely, milk. Those who taste these soups for the first time find it hard to believe that no stock has been used in their manufacture.

Mock bisque, for instance, is a deliciously rich soup of a charming, pale pink color. It is absolutely simple to make. The ingredients required are a can of tomatoes or a pound of fresh fruit, 3 pints of milk, a tablespoonful of flour, the same of butter, a small teaspoonful of carbonate of soda and a seasoning of pepper and salt. Stew the tomatoes until the pulp is tender. Put on the milk in a double saucepan to boil, reserving sufficient to mix the flour to a smooth paste, which add to the boiling milk and stir for ten minutes. To the stewed tomatoes add the soda, stir well and rub through a fine strainer. Add the butter and seasoning to the milk and finally the tomatoes. Serve at once with small square dice of bread prepared as follows, which cannot be distinguished from fried croutons: Cut a slice of bread half an inch thick, butter it smoothly on both sides, cut into dice and bake till crisp in a hot oven.

Cream of celery soup requires a head of celery, a quart of milk, a tablespoonful of oil, the same of butter, a slice of onion, a bit of mace, salt and white pepper. Boil the celery for 30 minutes or until it is tender. Boil the mace, onion and milk together, and when boiling add the flour, rubbed smooth in a little cold milk; cook for ten minutes. Mash the celery in the water in which it has been boiled and stir into the boiling milk. Add the butter and seasoning. Strain and serve at once.

During the Summer Days.

Hostesses would do well to have ices, when not served in paper cases, served in glasses instead of in small plates, wherein they melt and slip about in a most untidy, not to say dangerous, manner on warm afternoons. The homely custard cup with its comfortable handle is by no means out of place for this purpose if enough tall, slim glasses are not available, and when placed on a plate on which the cake can be deposited and remain dry will be found a far nicer manner of serving.

Piles of sliced lemon set in front of the tea urn and flanked by two cut glass decanters filled with iced water make a far more graceful beverage for those who do not take cream, and an iced tea punch disposed in a great dragon decorated bowl and surrounded by a miniature fernery is a most cheery and invigorating accompaniment. This latter wins the hearts of all men, its only rival being its prototype, served in a great cut crystal bowl, its glistening amber masses surmounted by great piles of whipped cream.

Preserving the Currant.

Spicing is a form of preserving that beautiful fruit, the ripe red currant which is not very general. Yet, either by themselves or served as a relish with meats, spiced currants provide a grateful variation in the monotonous menus of winter time. A good rule is 3 pounds of sugar to 7 pounds of currants and a teaspoonful each of cinnamon, cloves, allspice and of pepper if liked. Boil half an hour, stirring enough to prevent burning.

Rather uncommon, too, is white currant jam. Boil quickly together for seven minutes equal quantities of fine white currants, carefully stemmed, and white sugar. Stir the jam gently all the time and skim thoroughly. Just before it is taken from the fire throw in the strained juice of a good lemon to 4 pounds of the fruit.

Observations on Tile Drainage.

H. C. Marsh, Indiana, describes experiments in tile drainage made under the auspices of the farmers' institute of Muncie. The tile drains were laid about 40 inches deep and at distances of 195 and 230 feet apart, on an area containing yellow clay, black soil and hardpan. The height of the ground water was observed in wells sunk in different parts of the drained area. The results are of interest as showing a wide difference in the effectiveness of the drains on different soils and under different conditions and indicate that the distance and depth of tile drains must be determined by observations on the soils in each case.

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NORTH WOODSTOCK.

Eugene Farnum of New Gloucester is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Linnie Millett, who lives at Oxford, is spending the holidays here, with his brothers and sisters.

Fred Bryant, who is working in the woods, teaming near Roughton, is expected home, soon, for a short visit.

There was quite a gathering, at Summer Sessions, Christmas night. His large house was opened to the public, and as word had gone out that there was to be a Christmas tree and dance there, the house was filled at an early hour. The tree was decorated with lack of room, and the gifts were placed on a table, which was well-filled with pretty and useful presents. During the evening, there was some very fine singing by Len. Sessions. An oyster and pastry supper was served to a large company, and dancing was kept up until four o'clock. Merril Chase furnished music on the violin, with organ accompaniment by Bernice Coffin.

SOUTH ALBANY.

Elmer Henley has gone to Unity to work making cans.

Herman Holt has come to Hanover to cook in a camp.

Bert Bird has sold his grey mare, Kitty, to Biddeford parties.

Mrs. G. W. York is quite poorly and Miss Bisbee is at work for her.

Maud Dresser has returned to Welchville to attend the winter school.

Mrs. Myrtle Pike of South Waterford was at home for a few days, last week.

May Abbott is at work for Will Rice at North Waterford. Mrs. Rice is quite ill.

Orin Flint and wife of Norway recently visited his brother, Charlie Flint, who is quite ill.

Roy Lord was at home, last Friday, from Norway, where he is at work in the shoe shop.

John Mason is cutting and hauling the pine from his lot to James Brown's mill at North Waterford.

Marion Bennett of Bethel who is teaching the winter term of school at Hunt's Corner, recently visited her cousin, Winnie Browne.

Mrs. Edna Browne and little son, Alice Browne and Florie Browne, of North Waterford called on Mrs. Lewis Savin, last Saturday.

Harry Savin and wife have been stopping with his father, Henry Savin, while they have been getting their housekeeping affairs in order.

WEST STONEHAM.

Blanche Adams has returned to Norway.

W. W. Durgin has been to Fryeburg, the past week.

Mrs. Hannah Barker has returned from Bridgton.

Fred McKee went to Shelburne, recently, to visit his brother.

Oswald Luck, wife and daughter from Bridgton have been visiting her mother, Mrs. David McKee.

Ben Brown, Ambrose McAllister and Mr. Simonton from Lovell have been camping in the Harris McKee house and hunting deer.

A party of four from Bridgton and three from Sweden stopped at Wm. Gammon's, a few days last week, and went hunting deer. They saw but did not shoot any.

All the people in this vicinity are in favor of the railroad to Waterford and think it will be a great benefit to the community and there will be freight enough to make it pay.

I saw in the ADVERTISER of Oct. 16th, in the West Bethel items, that a Mrs. Abbott, sixty years of age, had a thimble she had when she was eight years old. Mrs. Wm. Gammon has a thimble that belonged to her grandmother, who has been dead forty-eight years, and she used it a good many years before she died. As she died at a very advanced age, the thimble must be nearly one hundred years old. Mrs. G. also has the small box her grandmother used in ye olden times.

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HANOVER.

Our new postmaster, O. P. Russell, will take the office, Jan. 1897.

Frank Barrows and wife are on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Fred Silver.

G. A. Virgin's crew have all been discharged by the foreman, W. C. Thomas, and have all gone home.

Elmer Barker, who got hurt in the woods, has had his leg put in plaster of paris. The doctor found one bone broken. He has a winter job before him.

The Girls' Club got up a fine entertainment, Christmas night, at the hall, two loaded trees and a very fine time. The entertainment was gotten up by little children and the speaking and singing were very good.

Dana Foster and mother from Waterford, who were called here, last week, by the sudden death of her twin sister, Mrs. Esther Putnam, have returned home. Mr. Foster called on his cousin, E. E. Howe of this place. Mrs. Putnam was always ready to lend a hand in sickness or trouble and will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends. She leaves one daughter and one son to mourn her loss.

BYRON.

Geo. Lakin and family have moved to Welch.

Hop-City farmers are filling their ice-houses with ice.

P. D. Taylor and Geo. Thomas are pressing and sending hay up the line to the loggers.

Harrison Bancroft has bought a new safe. It was made by the Morge Safe Co. of Massachusetts.

A good time for the loggers to work spruce on Old Turk, but as yet no spruce has been hauled to the river, on account of the lack of snow.

Be ready, next week, with your taxes as the collector will call on you and by paying them you will save ten per cent on your taxes, an item worth saving.

Amos Alden, who has been to Peter's Rips at work on the new railroad, the past six months, has returned and is stopping with Leslie Dunn at Gum Corner.

Guy Herriek and Elmer Bryant have returned from a hunting trip to the lakes. They shot one deer and shot the horns from another large buck. They brought the horns home with them. Guy is now cooking for a logging crew on Old Turk.

SOUTH RUMFORD.

M. L. and W. A. Wyman are cutting ice for the neighborhood.

W. F. Clark has gone to Camp Comfort in Mexico, this week. His cousin, Edw. P. Clark, with friends from Boston are there and they are all after deer.

Mamie Fuller is one of the smart girls in this place. She has sold an order for tea, coffee and baking powder and got her a nice write order, also got subscribers for The Youth's Companion and got a fine gold watch.

NORTH ALBANY.

G. A. Kenerson is having some repair work in his shop, for R. K. Morrill's men.

There was a family Christmas tree at I. S. Kenerson's, Saturday evening, 26th, and a good time. Mrs. Mary S. Morrill is visiting her daughter, Mrs. I. S. Kenerson, also Chas. Frost, wife and little son Percy from Dixfield are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Kenerson.

STOW.

Farmers in this vicinity are busy getting their ice.

Elden Emerson is buying a large lot of birch at his mill, this winter.

There was the usual Christmas tree at the church with a full house and a good time.

Mrs. Almon Emerson, Ashley Emerson and Mrs. Augustus Hanscom are all on the sick list.

Advertised Letters. Norway.
Mrs. Ida E. Hall, Mrs. Minnie Brown, Archie, all, Howard Blake, Luther Emerson, Willie Herriek, J. C. Saunders, E. L. Tufts, W. A. Wood.

Lebroke Family Reunion.

Four Generations Present and Invited Guests at the residence of Parria Paige, North Waterford, Christmas Day.

There was a very pleasant gathering of friends and relatives at Parria Paige's, last Friday. Mrs. Paige is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Lebroke, who are almost 70 years of age and live with her. A family reunion was had and a social time enjoyed by all present. Two of the children were unable to be present, Hampshire, and Mrs. Lizzie Morse of Lewiston. The children of Daniel B. Lebroke and wife present were:

David H. Lebroke and wife, No. Waterford
Parria Paige and wife, Waterford
Chas. Stone and wife, Waterford
S. L. Lebroke and wife, So. Waterford
Geoff. Stone and wife, Lewiston
Sevel Abbott and wife, Waterford
The grandchildren present were:
Ed Allen and wife, Norway
Elmer Fiske and wife, No. Waterford
Lilla Lebroke, Hunt's Corner, Albany
Lilla Lebroke, No. Waterford
Will Abbott, No. Waterford
Ida Abbott, " "
Nancy Stone, " "
Ernest Stone, " "

The great-grandchildren were:
Jeanne Lebroke, " "
Eva, " "
Lillian Lewis, " "
Hazel Lewis, " "
Bernie Lebroke, " "
Maud Allen, " "

The invited guests and friends of the family present were:
Samuel Ewell, G. E. Wood
Lillian, " "
Joseph Shaw and wife, Norway
Albert Snow, " "
Florence, " "
Anna McKay, " "
Fred Brown, " "

The testimonial of friends befitting the day and the occasion were many and varied, and it will be long remembered in the Lebroke family.

GREENWOOD.

Lula Penley is visiting friends in Lewiston, for a short time.

Hannah Noyes is working at Bryant's Pond for Nathaniel Small's family.

Susie Roberts visited relatives at Paris, a few days the past week.

Ernest Penley from Paris spent Sunday at his uncle's, E. W. Penley's.

Angie Penley is teaching the winter term of school in Richardson Hollow.

Quite a number from this way went to the Xmas tree at Asa Needham's, Christmas evening.

Elletta Doughty returned to Hebron, Monday, to attend the winter term of school at the academy.

School at Greenwood Center closed, Dec. 23d, at the end of twelve weeks, taught by Lula Penley.

Everett, the fur buyer, was through this vicinity, Friday. He said he had about \$500 worth of fur with him.

E. W. Penley has put in his ice from a pond he made for his own use. Saturday they cut and put in with one team 325 cakes.

Alden Doughty arrived home from Colby, Wednesday, Dec. 23d. He was unable to attend the latter part of the term on account of sickness.

There was a family gathering at Wm. Richardson's Christmas day. A bountiful dinner was served consisting of everything good to eat, of which thirty-five partook. The day was spent in chat and a good time enjoyed by all.

The Christmas tree at Greenwood City schoolhouse, Friday evening, which was gotten up by the children, was well attended. The tree was well laden with pretty things for young and old. It looked as though Old Santa meant each should be remembered if with nothing more than a large doughnut or cookie.

The exercises were very good considering the short time they had been in preparing them. The schoolhouse looked very pretty trimmed with evergreen. We think the children deserve great praise in getting up so good an entertainment in so short time.

BROWNFIELD.

J. Q. McDonald has shingled his house.

Frank Thayer has bought the Storrs house and mill.

E. L. Frink has opened a variety store on Main street.

Frank Meserve has opened a barber shop in the village.

Whist parties seem to be the great attraction at present.

Mr. Bennett is teaching a dancing school at Town Hall.

C. H. Day has gone into the Chick business down in Porter.

There was a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Town Hall, Friday.

Engene Blake and Nellie Thorne were married quite recently, both of Brownfield.

J. W. Hubbard has hired and put in quite a large stock of groceries in the store formerly owned by Irving Libby.

Godwin-Saunders.

On the evening of Dec. 24th, near relatives and friends to the number of thirty gathered at the residence of F. L. Godwin, 279 Bates street, Lewiston, to witness the marriage of his only son, Charles F. Godwin, to Mary Saunders.

They were attended by W. N. Thomas. Both parties stood in high esteem and will be seen by the many beautiful and useful presents which were left as tokens of friendship.

Comrade-set, Annie Small and Lizzie Saunders, napkin rings, Daniel Mixer, silver knives and forks, Mrs. Saunders' towels, Mrs. Attie Godwin and daughter, sugar spoon, Willie Small; silver butter knife and spoon, Julia Russell; nice cut glass water set, glassware and lamp, friends; silver butter knife and spoon, Julia Stewart; cake plate and tidy, Lillian Godwin; nice rug, friends; towels and pillows, Mrs. Godwin; napkins and brush case, Mrs. Dora Small.

Mrs. Chadwick visits her sister, Mrs. F. H. Pike.

There was no public entertainment here on Christmas, but some families had home treats.

O. V. Edwards has returned from Lancaster, Mass., where he has been working for a time.

Louie Jennings, who has been working at Samuel Barrows', for several years, has gone to Peru to live with an aunt.

The school children are enjoying the fine sliding in the proper times, this winter, and not after the bell rings, we believe.

Rev. W. B. Eldridge preached a powerful sermon before the closing Sabbath of the year. The evening prayer meetings are very interesting.

EAST OXFORD.

Wm. S. Thayer has been sick with the measles at Geo. Thomas'.

Mrs. Wm. N. Thomas is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hartley Cushman, in Auburn, at the present time.

Prof. A. F. Caldwell and T. Stone of Kent's Hill, with Minnie Caldwell of Readfield were at Wm. F. Caldwell's, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. White and daughter Mildred of Lisbon Falls spent Christmas with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Billings.

RUMFORD.

Ida Ford is visiting at Mrs. Tuttle's.

Melvin Allen is visiting his sister, Charlotte Butters.

A Christmas gathering at J. H. Barker's comprised twelve people and four generations.

Francis Lord and wife spent Christmas with Mrs. Lord's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stevens.

The social at the hall, which was appointed for Wednesday, Dec. 30th, is postponed one week.

J. H. Estes guessed the exact weight of the big doll at A. A. Martin's store, and hung it on the tree for Zetta Stearns.

We believe in moral suasion for the drinker but believe halter suasion is none too harsh for the man who will sell or give cider to boys to get drunk. There are laws to reach such cases and it is a pity they could not be more rigidly enforced.

The Christmas entertainment passed off very pleasantly, and with the well filled trees gave pleasure to old and young. The program though short was of the best and little Arthur Virgin brought the house down by his recitation in costume of "I hate the pants my mother makes, and leaves me room to grow."

Election of officers of G. A. R. and W. R. C. was held at their respective halls, last Saturday, and resulted in the choice of the following:

E. T. Elliott, Com.
E. E. Stevens, S. V. Com.
R. F. Newton, J. V. Com.
Frank Martin, Chap.
Olin P. Bennett, Surg.
F. S. Delano, O. D.
Geo. T. Barrar, O. G.
F. M. Thomas, delegate to State Convention;
Chas. Stevens, alternate, for the G. A. R.

The officers chosen for W. R. C. for the ensuing year were:

M. M. Egan, Pres.
Hattie Thomas, S. V. Pres.
Agnes F. Hall, J. V. Pres.
Mrs. M. Jane Colby, Chap.
Nancy J. Colby, Treas.
Annie Abbott, Sec.
Mary J. Pratt, O. G.

The officers will be installed at the Center, the second Saturday in Jan. at 10 a. m., W. S. Howe and Nancy J. Olin installing officers.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

San Smith is at work at South Paris.

We are having a nice school taught by Elva Heald.

Pref Heald has sent his pet coon to Rhode Island.

J. F. Bicknell and wife were at Norway, the 25th.

John Plagg is cutting cord wood for J. A. Warren.

Frank Pitts bought a farm at Poland and has moved there.

Earl Jack has hired out again to Dr. Caldwell for six months.

H. P. Millett from South Paris was at Welch, last Friday.

Fred Heald cut his foot while chopping wood but is able to work again now.

Mrs. R. J. Bicknell leaves, this week, for Boston to spend the rest of the winter.

Grace Bicknell from Norway has been visiting at her Grandfather, Bicknell's for a few days.

Mrs. Selden Barrett from Sumner Hill was at her father's, V. D. Bicknell's, last Saturday and Sunday.

Dan Jack has laid his mare "Rose" at rest. She was 21 years old and had been one of the best of horses. He has a number of her colts that for beauty and style cannot be beat. Gus Spaulding's old white General too has passed away. It was 26 years old and had been a very good horse. Both horses were shot by Stephen Spaulding.

The Stiles family all met at Olin Pingree's, Christmas day, there being twenty-one of them. Luther Turner and wife were at A. G. Pearson's. Alvin Bessey's family were with their daughter, Mrs. W. Heald. Mrs. Celia Dunham passed the day. Fred and Dunham's. Fred Heald's family were at his father's, Joshua Heald's. Almost every house old Santa visited and left a present. One man gave his wife twenty dollars and his son the same. We women folks all wished he was our husband. OSCROIA.

ANDOVER.

M. A. Howard is quite sick with erysipelas.

Lon Barrill has moved from the Falls to his house on River Street.

J. W. Eaton from Winthrop is to spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Chan. York.

Mrs. Harvey Newton has been quite sick with erysipelas in her face and hands, but is now better.

Leslie Akers had the good fortune to get a very large buck to take back to Boston with him. He shot him near a pond. His brother, Arthur shot a yearling buck while out hunting with Mr. Akers.

Died Dec. 25, at the residence of her niece, Mrs. O. B. Poor, Mrs. Poor, widow of the late Franklin Poor. Mrs. Poor would have been 85 years old had she lived until June. She has for several years made her home with her niece, Mrs. Poor, where she received that kindness and care which she so much needed in her old age. Two nieces from Portland, Abbie Carpenter and Mary Barker, and her nephew, Capt. Fred Barker from Boston, came to the funeral. The services were conducted at her home on Sunday by her pastor, Rev. J. C. Young.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

The water in the pond is very low. Woodard Benson is in feeble health.

Julia Russell spent Christmas in Lewiston.

Several fine and large swine have been slaughtered.

Some of the boys attend dancing school at West Paris.

N. Thurlow is at home to spend the winter with his mother.

We understand that there was a family Christmas tree at G. L. Whitman's, Saturday evening.

We wouldn't have you believe for a moment that several wait to visit Bethel at the 17th inst. It should have read West Paris instead.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks and grateful appreciation to the many friends who so kindly bade us "good bye" on the occasion of changing our home. The beautiful Christmas gifts we received from you will serve as a constant reminder of the happy years spent at West Paris.

FRED SCOTT AND WIFE.

WEST PARIS.

Maud Pratt is at home from Bethel on a vacation.

Clarence Curtis came home Christmas to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Frank Farnum arrived home from her visit to Alabama, last week.

Eddie Mann and Charlie Brown are home from Orono to spend their vacation.

Bert Young, wife and son of Bethel spent Christmas at his father's, F. A. Young's.

The measles are prevailing around here. Bertha Emmons is quite sick with them.

Mrs. Estes' aged mother passed away, Christmas day. Funeral occurred at the house, Monday.

W. J. Curtis, boss of the coon shop, has returned from Portland where he has been for the past two months.

Paris Grange will visit West Paris Grange, Saturday, Jan. 2d. West Paris Grange chose their officers for the ensuing year, last Saturday.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge of Bethel will visit Onward Lodge of this place, Tuesday evening, Jan. 5. Onward Lodge will install their officers for the coming year, that evening.

Fred Scott, who has been removed to the South Paris station, will break up housekeeping, this week, and Mr. Carr, the new station agent here, will move into Mr. Scott's house.

George Kidlon has bought the King Curtis stand and Ezra Kidlon from Rumford Falls has moved in down stairs and Mrs. Frank Willis and daughter have taken the rent up stairs.

Dora Hill had all the Christmas tree at home, Christmas eve, and invited three of her little cousins to join her. The tree looked very pretty and had lots of presents on it for the little ones.

The evening before Christmas day, the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scott assembled at their home to the number of half a hundred. This was a farewell call, as the Grand Trunk management has transferred Mr. Scott to South Paris, he having been the efficient station agent at this place for the past ten years. E. H. Brown acted as spokesman, and presented Mr. and Mrs. Scott with a silver service and several other things, as perpetual reminders of the good will and esteem of the people of West Paris. Mrs. Scott responded briefly. At 9 o'clock, when Mr. Scott came home on the train, he found his friends waiting at the house and Mrs. Scott happy to explain the purpose of their gathering.

NORWAY CENTER.

A singing school will be opened at Norway Center schoolhouse, Friday evening, Jan. 1st, under the instruction of W. H. Cook of South Paris. Mr. Cook is too well known to Norway both as a singer and as a teacher to need any words of commendation. For those who live too far from the village to attend the rehearsals under the direction of Rev. Mr. Carroll, this will prove a fine chance to cultivate and improve their musical talent, and we hope all who can will attend. If for any reason you are unable to attend the first evening, come the next, as the first few evenings will be devoted to primary work. The school will be held on Friday evenings of each week beginning Jan. 1.

WEST BETHEL.

John B. Murphy has a big woodpile in his dooryard.

W. A. Farwell and M. M. Mason have each put in their ice.

John Rollins and Hazen Lovell are cutting pulp wood for A. S. Bean up in the bog.

Carrie Rollins was quite sick for a few days but is now better and goes to school.

Willie Potter and wife of Denmark were here, recently, to visit their uncle, S. W. Potter.

N. H. Palmer and wife of Lovell were here, last week, on a visit to Mrs. Palmer's sister, Mrs. Milton Holt.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

Wednesday of last week was, Patron's day, the echoes of which pronounce it a success